

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 06 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 07 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 05 Mar 2021 at 13:28 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Saturday. Moderate on Sunday to Tuesday, with uncertainty in timing and extent of rain, and strength of winds on Tuesday. Low for Wednesday.

Headline for Saturday 06 Mar 2021: Dry and bright. A chilly start, cloud increasing in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 06 Mar 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Clear night	Clear night	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	10%

Forecast for Saturday 06 Mar 2021

Weather: Lengthy clear spells through the early hours will lead to a sunny but cold start with a frost likely in the glens. Then a dry bright day with cloud gradually increasing. Dry but cloudy in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 95% in the morning, 70-80% in the afternoon.

Visibility: Very good with cloud bases expected to be generally above the summits in the morning. Some patchy broken cloud may reduce visibility above 900m at times in the afternoon and evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	14/18 W	18/23 W	17/22 W	16/21 W	18/23 W	17/23 W	16/22 W	16/22 W	18/24 W
900	12/15 SW	15/19 SW	15/19 SW	14/18 SW	15/20 SW	14/20 W	14/19 SW	15/20 SW	16/22 SW
600	7/9 W	9/12 SW	10/15 SW	10/14 SW	12/18 W	11/17 W	11/17 SW	10/17 SW	11/18 SW
300	3/8 SW	4/10 SW	5/11 SW	4/13 SW	9/17 SW	8/16 W	6/15 SW	6/16 SW	6/15 SW
Glen	3/10 SW	4/13 SW	5/15 SW	5/14 SW	6/15 SW	6/15 W	5/16 SW	6/17 SW	6/18 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-8/-15	-8/-16	-8/-15	-6/-14	-5/-13	-5/-12	-5/-12	-4/-11	-4/-11
900	-4/-10	-4/-10	-4/-10	-3/-9	-2/-8	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-6	-1/-7
600	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-6	-1/-5	1/-4	2/-3	1/-3	1/-3	1/-3
300	-4/-6	-3/-6	-3/-6	0/-2	4/1	5/2	3/0	2/-1	2/-1
Glen	-2/-3	-2/-4	-1/-4	1/-2	6/3	6/3	4/1	3/-0	2/-1
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	00m	200m	400m	600m	600m	500m	700m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Snow fields will be hard and icy.

Forecast for Sunday 07 Mar 2021

Weather: Mostly dry but cloudy through the early hours and early morning. Cloud thickening from mid-morning with outbreaks of rain from late morning, continuing through the afternoon and evening, sleet or wet snow at munro level.

Maximum wind: West 15-20 mph, occasionally gusting 25-30 mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% at dawn, 10% by mid-morning, nil in the afternoon.

Visibility: Good at first, but soon deteriorating to poor in cloud as bases lower to around 600-700m. Falling to a few km in the glens during any heavier outbreaks of rain.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius rising to 5 Celsius.
At 800m: Zero Celsius rising to plus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 900m, rising to 1200m shortly after dawn